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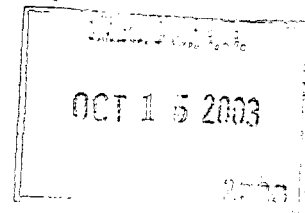
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Dear Mr. Johnson:

The New York Stock Exchange certifies approval for listing and registration under the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, GENERAL AMERICAN INVESTORS COMPANY, INC., % Cumulative Preferred Stock, Series B, par value \$1.00 per share, liquidation preference \$25.00 per share and requests immediate acceleration of registration. Adequate distribution assured. Form 8-A received on October 15, 2003. Tentative listing date - October 17, 2003.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Paras Madho".